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District funds 'major summer session'

By DAVID BOHRER, News Editor

Summer school will be offered this year in the nine L.A. community colleges, it was announced by District Vice-Chancellor of Educational Services Kenneth Washington last week.

The availability of summer school classes had been questionable because of district budget constraints, but newly acquired state funding has made the summer session possible.

The five-week, five-day-a-week session, running from June 25 to July 27, will be one week shorter than past summer sessions because of the new school calendar which schedules classes to begin on August 20.

Valley College will receive $476,000, or 13.6 percent of the district's summer school funds, which is twice the amount received for last summer's session.

"This will also be the last opportunity for students to take advantage of a tuition-free college education," said L.A. Community College District Chancellor Leslie Koltai.

Although student fees will be charged to students beginning Fall '84, students will not be required to pay such a general fee for the upcoming summer session.

"There has always been a big demand for summer school," said Valley President Mary Lee, "Although this summer, I think a lot of students will be taking advantage of the fact that this will be their last chance to attend the college before the implementation of tuition in the fall."

Last summer, there were 73 classes offered in a scheduled two part session, one of which was cancelled due to lack of funds.

"But this session," said Young, "an estimated 165 classes will be offered, but instead of six weeks (as last year) it is going to be five weeks, so students will be going to school longer.

"We are planning to offer a summer session large enough to accomodate the needs of students who, in the past several years, have been forced to accept reduced offerings," Koltai said.

Labeling this a "major summer session," the LACCD hopes to intensely promote this session in order to boost student population which is expected to sharply drop after tuition is imposed, said Washington.

Both the district and individual colleges will undertake measures thoughout the communities and surrounding high schools to promote the summer session, according to Washington.

"The most important thing is to inform the students about what we're offering," said Young.

Classes will not be determined until the end of April and a schedule of classes will be available the latter part of May.

"Our summer session this year will be twice as good as it was last year," said Lee, "and we expect all classes to be full."

Daytime deans play musical chairs in night supervision

By STEPHANIE HAIN, Staff Writer

Despite the fact that half of Valley students attend school in the evening, there is no longer a permanetly assigned night dean.

The evening students are currently being supervised by rotating night deans.

The rotating night dean is one who normally works during the day, but comes in one evening a week to watch over the evening program.

The system was initiated by Dr. Edwin Young, vice-president of academic affairs, when Ken Palmer, former dean of evening programs, left Valley last January.

Young, who prefers to call the procedure an "evening of supervision" in which the deans rotate responsibility, spoke of the advantages and disadvantages of having only one evening supervisor each night.

"There's a certain consistency in having one person here every evening," Young said, admitting that when a different person is here each evening, some of that consistency is lost.

He said that the deans have a chance "to be a little more aware of what's happening in their departments during the evening. They see some of the problems and some of the good things that happen in the evening, whereas they wouldn't be aware of them if they're never here in the evenings."

Frank Fisher, dean of instruction and one of the evening supervisors, said that working one evening a week gives him "some time to catch up on some things that I don't have time to do during the day."

According to Fisher, the evening supervisors have more student contact in the evenings than they do during the day, which gets the deans "acquainted with a lot of the student problems that we don't always run into during the day." He added that he also gets a chance to meet some of the evening instructors.

Both Young and Fisher said that one of the biggest disadvantages of the evening supervisor system is trying to schedule meetings. This can sometimes be a problem since the evening supervisor's day doesn't start until 1:30 p.m., whereas the day dean starts at 8 a.m.

Young is also an evening supervisor. The other day supervisors who stay late are Lois Lewis and Dr. Phyllis Stones, both deans of instruction.

Young and Fisher said that there haven't been many complaints from students or teachers regarding this new system and that they like the way it is working out.

"The benefits that we gain from this contact with the hourly instructors and the students offsets the disadvantages," said Fisher.

MARY CRONIN / Valley Star

BRAINSTORMING—Students (l-r) Brad Hayden, Victoria Matthews, Evan Bennett, Paul Katz, and Steve Rand have mixed reactions to their first-time, first-hand examination of a human brain in class last week. The class, Biological Psychology taught by instructor Mike Gardner, is an introduction to the anatomy and physiology of behavior and experience and is designed to teach the biological basis of consciousness, perception, sleep, and learning.

Center in trouble as funds cut

By AZADEH N. NABIPOUR, Staff Writer

An $80,000 budget cut is severely affecting the ability of the Learning Center to serve its purpose.

"We no longer have an English instructor available for assistance. We can no longer make audio cassette copies for students nor allow copying of tapes on our equipment, due to the high wear and tear on our fragile machines. Also we can no longer arrange for review of films missed in the classroom, due to our reduced hours and staff," said Richard Holdredge, the only consulting instructor left at the Center.

The Learning Center's audio-visual technician resigned in October, and he has not been replaced yet. The intermediate clerk-typist was re-assigned to the Office of instruction and the Learning Center is now sharing a clerk-typist with the History Department.

At the beginning of this semester, the Learning Center was closed in the evenings. Now they are open eight hours a week due to Valley receiving more funds. The new evening hours are Mondays and Thursdays, 6-8 p.m. and Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m. The Learning Center used to be open at night for 20 hours a week last year.

"Many student have probably dropped their classes because we were not open in the evening and no one knew if the evening hours would be approved by the district," said Holdredge.

According to Holdredge, many departments at Valley rely on the Center, especially the foreign language, economics, speech/-broadcasting and English departments.

However, he pointed out, "The way state budget formulas have been set up, they only recognize the classroom and getting the average daily attendence of students related to specific class activities to generate that amount of daily attendance."

He also said the district has cut down the amount of faculty in support services to the minimum. Student worker hours have been cut as well. Last year the Learning Center

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Child Development Center offers unique night program

By DINA GONOR, Staff Writer

As more and more parents pursue higher education goals, the need for quality child care becomes all important.

For evening students at Valley, however, that need has been filled.

Valley is one of only eight other community colleges within the system with an evening Child Development program.

The staff of the Child Development Center, headed by Mary George, provides a warm, safe, and nurturing environment for the offspring of many of Valley's evening students.

The evening child care program was established in the late 1970's by Center Director, Kathleen McCreary.

The Center is occupied by preschoolers during the day and by children up to 13-years-old during evening hours.

"The difference in childrens' ages provides a great deal of flexibility for our evening staff," she said. "When we originally opened our doors, there were no other community colleges with an evening program for us to model on. Our director and teachers, who all have B.A.'s or M.A.'s, planned the program."

Weekly staff meetings to plan curriculum changes are still held. Children who participate are able to choose from individual or group activities.

Parents are pleased with the Center's contribution to their childrens' lives while they get on with their own lives.

"Being with other young children rather than a babysitter has been a wonderful experience for Jeremy," said Mark Banning, the father of the 3½-year-old. "It gives Jeremy the opportunity to see that other parents are going to school like I am. By being in the Center, Jeremy has been exposed to the idea of education while obtaining some great social skills."

Matthew Lieberman, at eight, is older than Jeremy. He spends his two nights a week at the Center enjoying activities which include outside play, arts and crafts, and story and snack time, while his mother, Nadine, finishes her undergraduate requirements at Valley before her planned move to a four-year university.

Being suddenly thrown into the role of single parent was the boost Carlotta Alston needed to return to the academic world. Having previously been a full time mother, her first concern about the change in her schedule was her childrens' well being.

Quinn is 3½ and goes to nursery school during the day. His older sister, Quian, is 5½ and also attends regular day classes.

"The kids love the Center," Carlotta said, "and that has really helped make my return to school easier. It's safe and the people here are good. It also fits my pocketbook."

Meeting the financial needs of the families they serve is one of the Center's goals. The fees charged for child care are on an adjustable scale, which varies according to each family's ability to pay. The hourly rates range from 35 cents to $2.00 an hour.

The Center's hours are also geared to meet student/parent needs. They are from 7:45 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 5:45 p.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Valley art gallery wins national design award

By LAURA TANIS, Staff Writer

The Valley College Art Gallery was recently honored with the "100 Award" from the Society of Typographical Arts (S.T.A.), a national organization based in Chicago.

The award, which recognizes the best one hundred examples of typographical design, was given for the design of the exhibition catalog, "Japanese-American Photography in Los Angeles, 1920-1945." The catalog was published in April 1982.

"I don't know of any two-year college that has won an Award of Excellence in any category, of which there are several," said Art Gallery Director Dennis Reed.

The catalog was designed by James Marrin, graphic arts instructor and written by Reed.

In response to Marrin's winning the award, Reed said, "It's really Jim's award for the design of the typography. It's important to me because it was a gallery publication."

Marrin said he was pleased as well. "I was amazed it got into the S.T.A. 100 and was impressed because there were only 100 entries being judged. The design was in keeping with the quality of the photographs. It showed them as pieces of art."

Marrin has been teaching at Valley for four years. "Dennis and I

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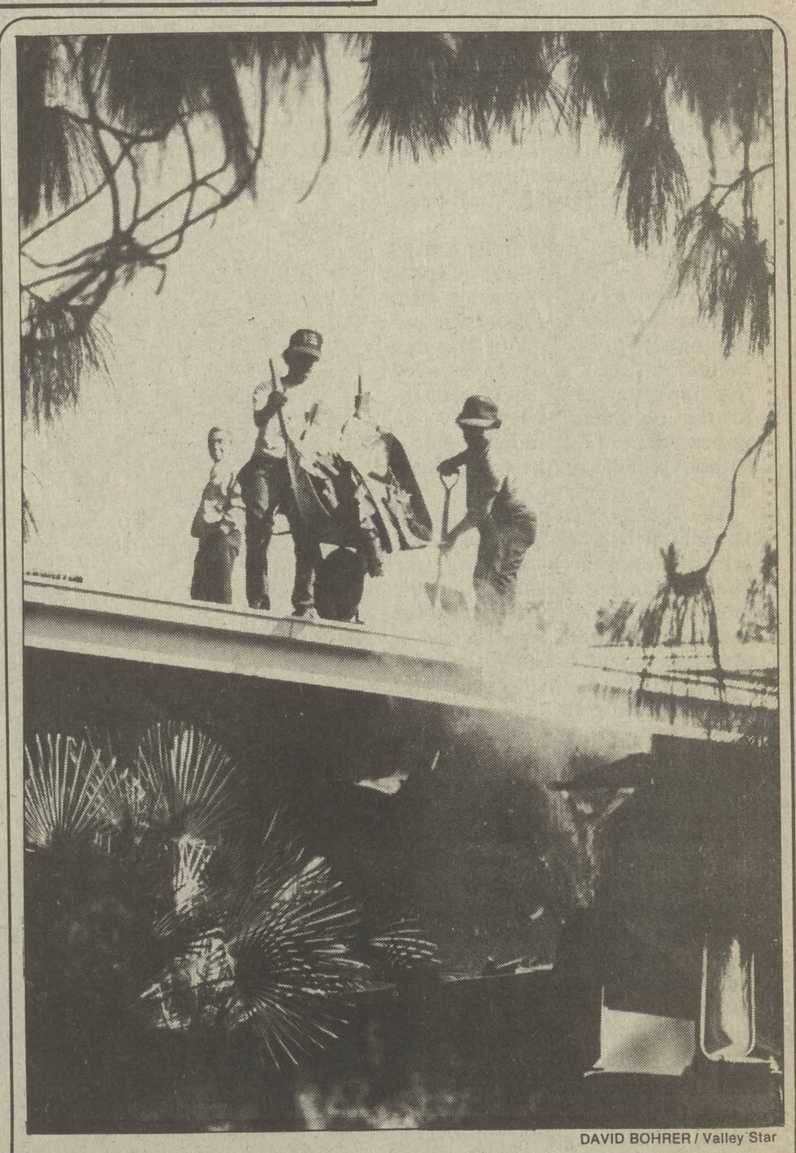

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ROOFER MADNESS—Workmen shovel debris into a truck below as they replace the roof on the Business-Journalism Building. Work began Feb. 16 and will continue for the next two weeks.

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STAR EDITORIALS

You get what you pay for

The L.A. Community College District's policy of awarding various work contracts to the lowest bidder may make fiscal sense on the surface, but for those of us at the colleges who have to put up with lengthy delays and hazardous work practices, the policy needs further examination.

We recognize that the intentions of the board are valid. They are the watchdogs for taxpayer monies being spent on education. Unfortunately, what the district is not paying in dollars, Valley's students and staff are paying in disruption and aggravation.

Last year, the district was forced to resort to a threat of legal action against the contractor responsible for Valley's remodeling job for handicap accomodation because of excessive delays in the work. That job, scheduled to be finished months ago, is still not completed.

When the decision was made to re-roof two of Valley's buildings, the contract was given to the low bidder, Hedco Development. To say that the project is disruptive to the educational process here would be a gross understatement.

On Thursday, Feb. 16, students entering or leaving the Business-Journalism or Foreign Language Buildings were showered with rocks being swept from the roofs. Although the contract states that the rocks were to be vacuumed from the roofs, the contractor had that stipulation changed.

According to the contractor's superintendent, access problems created the need for the change. Valley Vice-president of Administrative Affairs Mary Ann Breckell, however, said she was told that the change was needed because the contractor's vacuum was broken.

Whatever the reason for the change, the contractor should have taken reasonable safety precautions to protect students and staff from falling debris.

The workers on this job have shown a consistent lack of regard for Valley's people and their environment.

Parts of the lawns and gardens around the two buildings have been carelessly trampled. Head gardener Roger Baehne said, "They've been very careless, not just with the plants but with the lawn and sprinkler system, too. It looks like they've even done 'wheelies' on the lawn."

On Friday afternoon, Feb.17, one workman with a particularly destructive bent decided to relieve his boredom by throwing rocks at a nearby light until it broke.

Ignoring classes that were in session, the workmen violated union rules and the most common code of courtesy by blasting their radios at an ear-piercing volume, loud enough to be heard in the next building

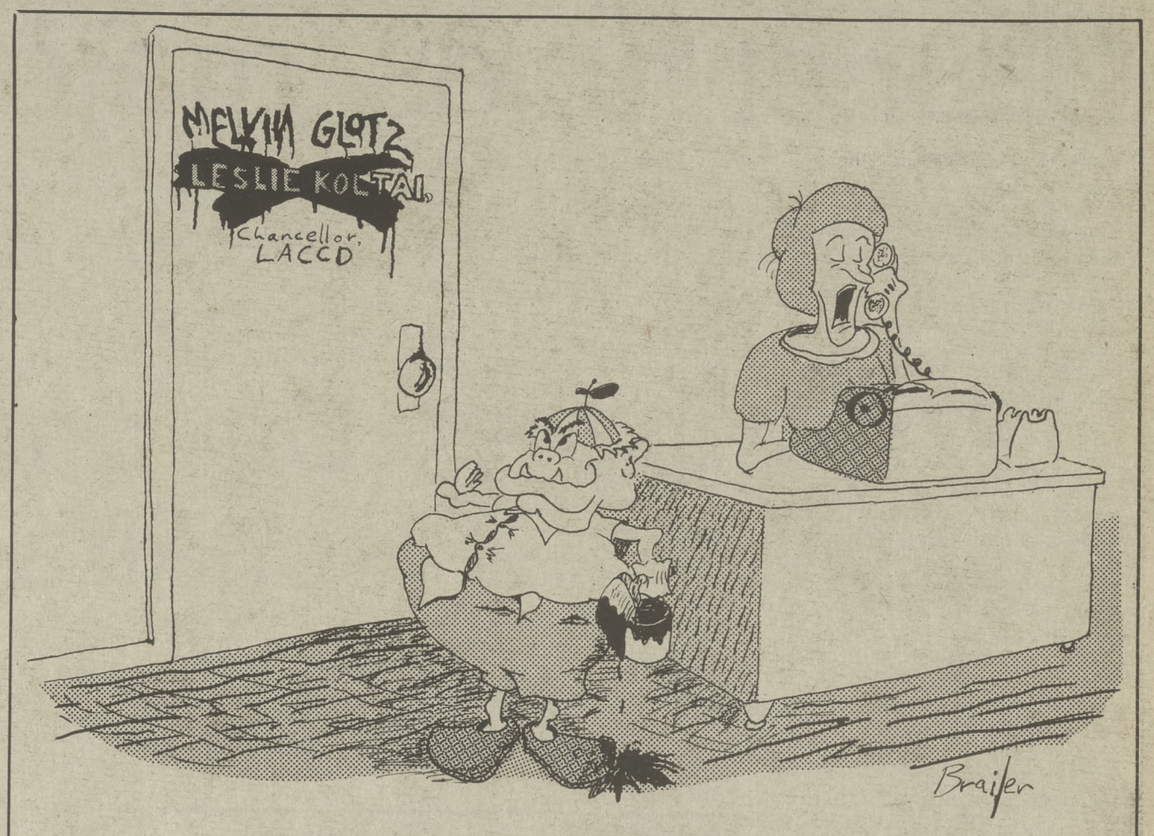
And if the general attitude of the workmen throughout the whole debacle has not been bad enough, that of the district inspector, Eddie Sekine, responsible for supervising the job, is even worse.

When questioned by the *Star* about the lack of safety precautions, Sekine said, "Don't say anything bad about it. If you do, you won't get any more roofs or anything. I work for the district, and I'll see to it."

Granted, we needed the repairs made on the roofs, and granted, roofing is a dirty job that creates dust, noise, and awful smells. These are things that cannot be avoided.

What should *not* be avoided, however, are adequate safety practices and common courtesy.

Maybe the district is not seeing the additional cost of these projects that is being paid by Valley students in the disruption of their educational process.



"I *know* you're upset, Dr. Koltai, but Melvin underbid you, and that's all there is to it."

—Letters to the Star—

'Unthinkable alternative'

Dear Editor:

Thank you for printing Diane Harbour's Pro-Life article on Abortion: The Ultimate Body Politic.

I know in my heart that if more people were educated about abortion and the unbearable pain an unborn child endures, abortion would be an unthinkable alternative, and adoption would thrive for the many couples unable to experience the joys of parenthood.

Al Pabst

Excellent tribute

Editor:

Your article on Erline Ewing was excellent and a tribute to this wonderful lady. She is most helpful to all. L.A. Valley is fortunate to have people like this.

Ralph Lazo
Counseling

LETTERS

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Playing in L.A.: What the Olympics really mean

Impressive International Image

By MARY CRONIN, Managing Editor

The world correctly views the city of Los Angeles as innovative—a trend-setter—and the 1984 Summer Olympic Games will verify that perception.

Clever conceptual ideas and careful planning are being combined to make the games the model for future summer Olympic events.

For the first time, the Games will be paid for, not by taxation or lottery, but by TV broadcast rights, corporate sponsorship, and ticket sales.

According to Economics Research Associates, an independent research and consulting firm that has assessed the economic impact of a number of major fairs and exhibitions, the Games are expected to pump a staggering $3.3 *billion* into the Southland's economy—an unprecedented economic boost without a dime of taxpayer investment.

The L.A. Olympic Organizing Committee (LAOOC) has made ingenious decisions regarding the Summer Games. Realizing that the most expensive part of hosting the Games has been the construction of new sports and housing facilities, they decided to use existing local dormitories instead.

Funds to refurbish the Coliseum and to build a new swim stadium and velodrome came from corporate sponsors rather than local government.

These corporate sponsors, besides making fiscal commitments and providing services during the Games (for instance, IBM will help computerize the games and AT&T will help with communications), are also having to comply with a third, unique stipulation. They must make some contribution to youth sports programs in America.

An unprecedented patron program will allow one hundred thousand disadvantaged, disabled, and elderly Angelenos to have the opportunity to see the Games at the expense of corporations who put up $25,000 for VIP seats.

For those more interested in art than athletics, there will be a summer-long Olympic Arts Festival. Designed to "celebrate the diversity of artistic excellence around the world as well as the cultural richness of L.A.," festival director Robert Fitzpatrick calls it "a highly focused festival that will serve as an intelligent preface, a celebratory introduction to the athletic games."

In the theater portion alone, we will have the opportunity to see 76 dance, theatre, and music groups from 15 countries.

The LAOOC is presenting the people of Los Angeles with a stunning summer-long celebration.

Neighborhood Nightmare

By KATHLEEN MAHER, Editorial Editor

The major obstacle in planning the Games is, of course, the threat of terrorism, and while no organization can be 100 percent effective in neutralizing madness, the LAOOC has taken painstaking precautions to avoid the mistakes of other Olympic hosts.

Even the justifiably cautious Israelis are pleased with security arrangements. Israel's Olympic Committee President Isaac Ofek recently said, "The arrangements could not be better. The communications equipment is first class. There will be fast well-equipped vehicles always on alert, even helicopters, and most important of all, very good intelligence."

For most cities that have hosted the Games, the nightmare comes after the athletes and guests have gone home, and the bill becomes due. Montreal, for instance, was saddled with a staggering $1 billion debt.

For L.A., however,the consequences of holding the Games will be positive. Initial projections indicate surplus revenues from our games, and a full 40 percent of these profits will be used to promote amateur sports in Southern California. (The other 60 percent will go to the U.S. and world Olympic Committees.)

We will have a renovated Coliseum with a new, expensive synthetic track, and spectacular new swimming and bicycling facilities at no taxpayer cost. We will also have the long-needed improvements at LAX finally completed.

But most important to the future of our city is its image as perceived by the world community.

The 1984 Summer Olympic Games will solidify and enhance L.A.'s reputation as a world-class city—imaginative, energetic, and innovative.

National pride and our hopes for the Olympic gold could bring more in personal turmoil to Los Angeles than silver in our cash boxes.

"Sarajevo had something we do not have," commented Peter Ueberroth, president of the L.A. Olympic Organizing Committee (LAOOC) recently to *U.S. News and World Report*"—the embracing of this event by all the people."

There is a reason for our lack of unity. Real anxiety will be out there surrounding the eight sites of our first Olympic Games in half a century.

The editors of "Christianity Today" recognized this anxiety a year ago and cautioned ministers to ready themselves not only for the athletes, but for their own communities.

Dr. William Goldsmith, psychiatrist and resident of Westwood, echoes these observations for his community, which will host athletes and two events. "All I see out there is a lot of anxiety—fear of terrorism, fear for their homes, and fear of traffic."

These are appropriate fears when considering we're the "Ellis Island of the West"—representative of almost every nation in the world. For each to arrive, we have a dissident group to meet them at the dock.

Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates addressed the problem of terrorism before an Olympic security seminar. Of his meetings with some dissident groups, he reported that he "expects only mixed success" in keeping down demonstrations. Kind of a throw-away phrase—"mixed success."

"The public believes [terrorism] attacks can somehow be prevented," said Manfred Schreiber, Munich police chief during the 1972 Games and criticized sharply for the Black September massacre of Israeli athletes. To the seminar he reported, "Terrorism cannot be prevented. Life is and remains dangerous."

Besides the threat of terrorism, fear of increased crime is also a real anxiety for residents. To the powers of law enforcement, however, is it a game of "Let's play with the statistics?" Schreiber boasted of decreased general crime during "my Olympics of ten percent," yet serious crime, such as rape, increased 12.5 percent. This playing with statistics is potentially dangerous if it lulls our law enforcement agencies into believing business as usual will prevail and that the 5,000 private security forces utilized where former Olympics used armies, will keep crime in check. We currently have FBI, sheriffs, and the Highway Patrol tripping over themselves in turf disputes.

Next on the anxiety scale is the expected transportation fiasco. Already communities are irate at being shuffled between the LAOOC, Cal Trans, various cities' departments of transportation and the Rapid Transit District (RTD).

To increase the confusion, the RTD recently announced that they will be unable to accomodate a proposed four-day work week during the Olympics. "Distance constrains our 800 rush-hour buses from making the runs twice during the same rush hour," they said.

With 50 percent of downtown workers using buses now, how do they manage the "distance constraint" for an eight-hour day?

Though taught from childhood to face up to anxiety, during 18 days this summer, the citizens of many L.A. communities will dig in for the duration.

In the final accounting, the profits of a "Quest for the Gold"may exact a higher price—reality of what are now only anxious misgivings.

Anti-Klan forum blasts white supremacy stand

By MARILYN J. MARTINEZ, Assoc. News Editor

Cautioning students about getting white sheets pulled over their eyes, a member of the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee (JBAKC) spoke at Valley yesterday to several hundred students.

The organization was here to present a forum against the Klan and all forms of white supremacy, as well as confirming their support of the Black movement, according to a JBAKC member who declined to be identified.

As a slide show was presented, Lynne Lewis of the JBAKC emphasized the growth of the Klan in Southern California and the potential strength in the unity of the Klan and other Nazi-type organizations.

"California has the fastest growing Klan outside of the South. They have targeted Los Angeles and the Valley as main places where they want to organize," she said.

She also referred to the Lake View Terrace cross burning last December as a "culmination of a unity meeting between the Klan, Nazi, and the Aryan nations."

Lewis attacked the U.S. government and believes they are advocating the activities of the Klan.

"The U.S. government was determined to take back the power from the Black people and put it back in their hands and those of the white people," she said.

Rustlings from the audience were heard as Lewis maintained that one out of every four Black women of child bearing age is sterilized and that "killer drugs like PCP and heroin are being pumped into the Black community."

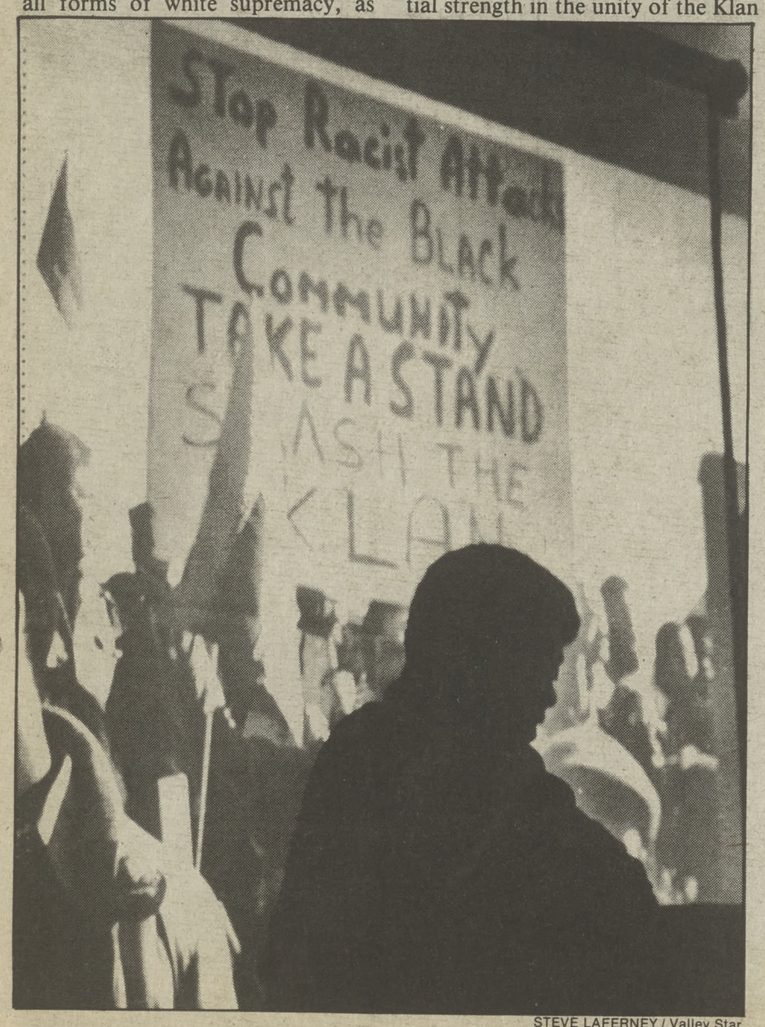
The collaboration of Klan leader Tom Metzger and Nazi leader Richard Butler is seen as particularly dangerous to Blacks and their future, according to Lewis.

"Metzger and Butler both advocate a race war and are committed to building paramilitary organizations," she said. Both organizations, she claimed, have paramilitary camps throughout the nation, and some of them are on government land.

Lewis also expressed the need for Black self-determination and said that the only way they can have control of their lives is through control of their own land through self-government.

Members of the JBAKC had set up a table with literature, but it was halted because no one had applied for a permit.

Lynn Lewis declined to be interviewed.



STEVE LAFERNEY / Valley Star

KLAN BAN—The John Brown Anti-Klan Committee spoke out at Valley yesterday.

Perspective

Modest man with many faces

By LISA SHAMES, View Editor

For some people, taking care of their own daily responsibilities is enough to make them wish there were 30 hours in a day. Others find the slightest diversion from their routine puts them off balance.

But for George Kopoulos, who thrives on his many responsibilities, there is even the time to help others.

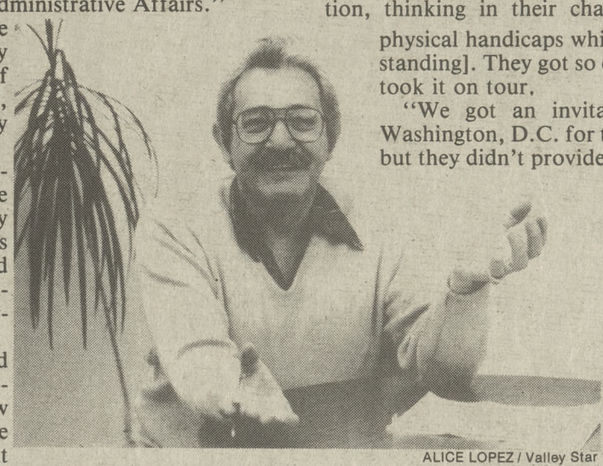
His official title at Valley is Assistant Dean of Administrative Services, but his duties reach far beyond that.

Kopoulos' other titles include "Administrator of Community Services," "administator to the Child Development Center," and "Assistant to the Vice President of Administrative Affairs."

He is also responsible for getting the faculty bulletin published, of which he said laughingly, "Actually, my secretary does."

Part of his responsibilities include monitoring specially funded programs. This includes both grants and scholarships to donations of art and floor-sanders to Valley.

One day he might find himself reviewing a prospective grant and a few minutes later he could be listening to a complaint about a counselor. Even Kopoulos admits, "It's hard for me to say what I exactly do."



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Kopoulos is no stranger to Valley. He was graduated from Valley in the Summer of '54, and at that time he said, "I'm coming back." He returned after obtaining his masters degree from Cal State L.A. and has been here ever since.

He was a counselor and evening class teacher for awhile, but most of his time here has been spent helping the handicapped.

Kopoulos was instrumental in setting up Valley's handicapped program. He explained that while there were already ways to take care of the disabled student's needs, there was no "formalized program."

Laws changed, monies became available, and the need grew," he said.

Taking credit for starting the program is about as much recognition as he will take. "Anyone can do anything with time and money," he said, "and I had both."

Kopoulos cites as one of the highlights of his involvement with the handicapped the play "My How You Changed."

Composed of handicapped students, the play evolved from an encounter/improvisation group comprised of those lacking in communication skills—physically or psychologically.

It eventually became a musical/comedy three-act play which was performed at Valley, City College, and a small local theater.

"Some of the people who could hardly speak two or three words were highly involved in the improvisation, thinking in their chairs [most of them had physical handicaps which prevented them from standing]. They got so excited about it that they took it on tour.

"We got an invitation to perform it in Washington, D.C. for the Year of the Disabled, but they didn't provide funds," Kopoulos said.

While citing the event as an "involvement of many people," Kopoulos meekly said, "I was sort of a producer."

Because of the reorganization and reduction of administrative personnel, Kopoulos was moved to his present position two years ago.

"I do miss the contact I had with the students," he said. "I don't have much opportunity for that now."

While he recognizes the importance of paper work and admits "I am responsive to paper needs," he said, "I'm basically not a desk person."

Kopoulos' involvement doesn't end when he leaves Valley. He is on the board of directors for the Rotary Club and is a co-sponsor for Rotoract, a campus club. Both clubs perform "a service to the community," he said.

Recognition by others in the form of awards (which remain stacked on top of Kopoulos' bookshelf), is not the reason for his many involvements.

"I like to feel that anything I do with people helps to develop [their] self-worth. In doing so, I have the same feeling," he said.

"I don't have large amounts of money to give. Time and talent is all I have to offer."

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then," he explained. "This was probably one of the most significant pieces that I have done."

Reed and 10 students helping him from his gallery class spent more than one and a half years and made approximately 600 phone calls in tracking down the families of the Japanese photographers to locate the prints.

There was a limited budget for the catalog and certain constraints on ideas for it. Reed helped to raise the money.

The Associated Student Body was a major sponsor. "Without them, the gallery would be closed down," said Reed.

Other sources of funds came from the college, a few art club fund raisers, a print sale, and donations of money and materials from several interested individuals.

According to Reed, prospective projects will depend on available funding.

"We have a plan for the gallery that will hopefully begin next January. It will be a lot of small shows going on all at once," he said.

Learning Center...

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both came here at about the same time and the gallery really got going had $8,400 for student workers, but this year there is only $800. Almost all the current student workers are being paid by the college work study program, however, work study is almost at the end of its budget as well.

New equipment is needed, said Holdredge, as most video-cassette machines have outlived their normal life. The Learning Center has nine video-cassette machines but only two are operational. The other seven are in the shop for repairs but the technicians are busy in different areas of the campus.

"The district is now looking at how many instructional media systems they could have on each campus. We might even face more reduction in the staff or sharing personnel with other instructional media services," he said.

With the cuts in personnel and budget, all salaries remain the same.

"There has been no salary increase in the past three years, so figures should be the same," said Frank Regalda, accounting clerk of the payroll office.

And according to Edwin Young, vice-president of academic affairs, "The Learning Center is a program for which we need to find ways of getting it strengthened."

But although Valley has received more funds, the district needs to see which department or program has the highest priority.

"We have gotten by, but it's just about that," said Holdredge.

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LISTEN AND LEARN—Ethel Saxton at the Learning Center.

News Notes

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP... Challenges and Changes for the Woman is an open discussion group concerning women who are balancing a career and family life. Discussions will be held weekly in the cafeteria conference room beginning today.

ASIAN / PACIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS... The Asian / Pacific Association of the LACCD is offering four scholarships of $200 each to students of Asian / Pacific descent. Students intrested should go to the Financial Aid Office in CC100 to obtain more information.

CHILD CARE SERVICES OFFERED... The Child Development Center is accepting applications for child care throughout the semsester. All fees are dependent upon family income. The Center also offers employment and class projects. Students interested may contact Barbara Sklar-Danon between 2-3 p.m. daily at Ext. 231.

TALENT AUDITIONS... Auditions for the Women's Awareness Talent Showcase will be held Wed., Mar. 7, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Monarch Hall. For further information, contact Jerilyn Stapleton in CC 102.

CLASSICAL GUITARIST... Scott Tennant will be performing a program Sunday, Mar. 4, at 7 p.m. in the music department. Admission is $3.50 with faculty or student I.D. card and $5 for general admission.

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Team on winning track

By DIANE HARBOUR, Assoc. Sports Editor

The undefeated track and field team consisting of 15 women and 22 men anticipate duplicating last year's performance while competing in the current Mountain Valley Conference.

"The team is high spirited and a good group," said Assistant Coach Charlie DiMarco. "I expect that they will do real well and again go undefeated this year."

The women's team is paced by Yvette Maufas, the J.C. National high jump leader with a jump of 5'8¼" already this year.

Another standout in the high jump is Simone Van Egmond, who has jumped 5'6". Maureen Doderlein finished 9th overall in Southern California cross country and heads the distance team.

The men's team is lead by sprinter Ollie Simpson (100M - 10.6, long jump - 23'). Valley has quality talent in the field events as well, with Bryant Mergenthal posting leaps of 6'10" in the high jump and 22'11" in the long jump. Dave Siberberg, a pole vaulter is another plus with a vault of 14'6".

Track and Field Results

Women:
100 meters—1)Michelle Whipper 12.9 200 meters—1)Michelle Whipper 28.8; 2)Carol Trejos 29.0 400 meters—3)Carol Trejos; 5)La Tonda Hardy; 880—3)Teri Topp 110 high hurdles—Yvette Maufas 14.9 440 relay—1)Whipper, Maufas, Hardy, Lee High jump—1)Maufas 5'6"; 2)Simone Van Egmond 5'6" Long jump—1)Whipper 17'1" Shot put—2)Eddy Lowe 32'7½" Mile—2)Topp 6:40

Men:
High jump—1)Bryant Merganthal 6'6" Pole Vault—1)Dave Siberberg 14'6"; 2)Cabreec 13'0"; Long jump—5)Ollie Simpson 20'11½" Shot put—3)Davis 37'11" Discus—4)Ferguson 124'7" Javelin—D. Gilmartin 188'7" 440 relay—1)Simpson, Dawson, Smith, Gaines; 880—2)Al Thomas 2:07; Robert Dangol 2:10 440—1)Gaines; 2)Smith 120 high hurdles—1)Mike Dawson 14.4 440 hurdles—Dawson 56.1

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BENDING OVER BACKWARDS—National champion high jumper Yvette Maufas practices for Valley's track and field team.

Women's basketball bounces a bit flat

By SHERRI McCONNELL, Assoc. Sports Editor

A lack of speed and experience are two of the weaknesses faced by Valley's women's basketball team this season.

While many teams are now at the climax of their regular seasons, Valley's women have just begun, having their first game in mid-February.

With a practice period of only about eight weeks, this late start has proven to be a big factor as far as the team's physical condition and morale are concerned.

A new coach, as well as twelve new players represent the Lady Monarchs courtsters, including four women that attend L.A. Pierce College. (Pierce dropped their women's team due to lack of funding).

For Coach Dick Clement, a 14-year instructor at Valley, this is his first year coaching women's basketball. Although Clement coached Valley's men's team from 1970-1973, he feels he still needs to adjust to some of the differences between the men's and women's games.

"I think the girls are enjoyable to work with, their attitudes toward putting out effort is a lot different than the guys, but they're willing to learn, and fun to work with," said Clement.

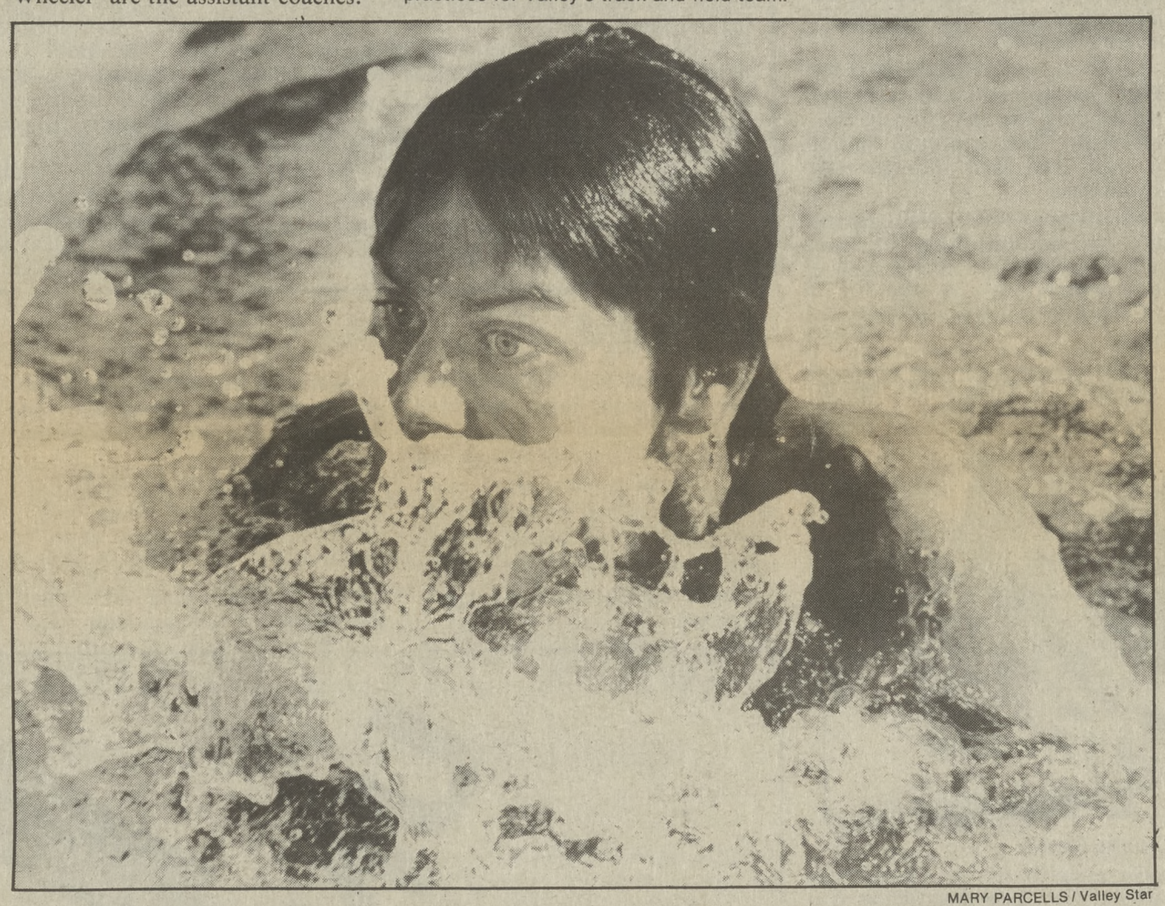
After losing their first and second games last week to Taft and Compton by 20 and 25 points respectively, the Lady Monarchs are beginning to lose some confidence.

"Our morale is going down each game in my perspective, but hopefully we can accept the losses and look forward to the league competition with our heads up," commented player Alicia Craft.

According to Clement, last year's conference winner, L.A. Trade Tech, should be the lady's toughest league competitor, along with Antelope Valley. But Clement feels that Valley could also be a top competitor in the Mountain Valley Conference.

As far as the team's advantages, each member has quality shooting power. There is also a great deal of strength in the inside players, which helps during a game with a physical team.

The Valley women's team members are: Ligia Abrego, Erika Berglund, Barbara Blanchard, Linda Chung, Cathi Cornell, Sophia Cortez, Alicia Craft, Cami Crouch, Michelle Goldstein, Sherri McConnell, Teri Lorenzo, and Gail Yoshino. Former Pierce women's coaches Vernon Cluke and Leonard Wheeler are the assistant coaches.



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STROKING FOR VICTORY—Bill Lees heads for the finish in the Men's 200 Individual Medley race for the swim team last week.

Swimming teams splash PCC

By DIANE HARBOUR, Assoc. Sports Editor

It was a double victory for Valley's men and women's swim teams against Pasadena City College last week. The final scores were: women—89/27 and men—71/26.

"Our women completely outswam PCC. We were in better shape and swam very well. Janine Scollard was excellent in winning three events and set a school record in the 50 yard breast stroke, (35.11), [old record, Sandy Winn, 1981 (35.28)]. Lisa Stoll also was fast in winning three events," said Coach Bill Krauss.

Becky Bridges, who placed first in the 100 freestyle, said, "The coach is entering us in events that are not our strongest to make it a more competitive meet."

"We were more experienced and faster swimmers," said Krauss. "They only won two events." Bill Lees, Paul Swain, and Bob Frarria each won two events for us."

SPORTS CALENDAR
(March 1-8)

DATE	SPORT	OPPONENT	TIME
1	W-Basketball	at Compton	4 p.m.
2	Baseball	at El Camino	2 p.m.
	Track	at Antelope Valley	2 p.m.
	Swimming	vs. Ventura	2:30 p.m.
	Softball	Cerritos Tournament	5:30 p.m.
6	Baseball	at Ventura	2 p.m.
	W-Basketball	at El Camino	4 p.m.
	Basketball	Mtn. Valley *All Star Game* (here)	7:30 p.m.
7	Softball	vs. College of the Canyons	3:30 p.m.
8	W-Basketball	vs. Pasadena	4 p.m.
	Softball	vs. Long Beach	3 p.m.

Defense lacks pitcher

By DIANE HARBOUR, Assoc. Sports Editor

"Our softball team this season has the potential to win. They are strong defensively and strong in batting," said Karen Honey, head coach of Valley's women's softball team.

"Anybody interested in playing, please come out...five more players are desired," said Honey, "We need an experienced pitcher."

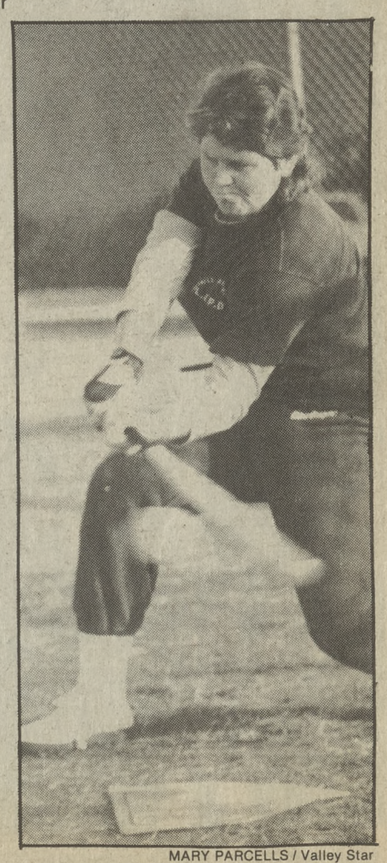
Returning players for the team are Diane Bowman, Debbi Lauderback, Lupe Lopez, Cyndi Lotspeich, and Annmarie Brown, and the new players include Kerry Barnett, Margaret Blaha, Diane Batham, Marta Grissom and Gretchen Schurz.

For those desiring to participate but cannot due to job commitments, Honey pointed out that Lotspeich, a returning player, is totally self supporting yet makes time for the rewarding activity of softball.

Practices are Monday through Friday, 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the field northwest of the women's gym. Half hour warm-ups and an hour and a half on offense or defense on alternating days is required.

Honey said that softball is a very rewarding team sport. Although scholarships are not available at the community college level, they can be obtained at the university level.

Recruiting is still open for the softball team.



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SCORE SHEET
(Feb. 24-29)

DATE	SPORT	OPPONENT	FINAL SCORE
24	Track	All League Invitational	first overall
	Swimming	Pasadena	W—27-89/Valley M—71-26/Valley
25	Baseball	Hancock	9-5/Hancock
27	W-Basketball	Ventura	30-74/Ventura
	Softball	Mt. San Antonio	0-3/Mt. San Antonio
28	Baseball	Santa Ana	16-7/Santa Ana
	Swimming	Long Beach	W—75-54/Valley M—58-45/Long Beach

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